3. Betul
4. Bhind
5. Chhindwara
6. Chhatarpur
7. Dhar
8. Dhamtari
9. Damoh
10. Datia
11. Guna
12. Hoshangabad
13. Jhabua
14. Jagdalpur
15. Khargone
16. Mandla
17. Mandsaur
18. Morena
19. Narsinghpur
20. Panna
21. Raigarh
22. Raisan
23. Rajgarh
24. Raj Nandgaon
25. Ratlam
26. Rewa
27. Satna
28. Jaora
29. Shahdol
30. Shajapur
31. Shivpuri
32. Sidhi
33. Tikamgarh
34. Itarsi
35. Mandideep
36. Bargarh
37. Neemuch
38. Bhilai

(one way STI exists)

Efficient postal service in backward areas of Madhya Pradesh

933. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether as a matter of policy Government have identified certain backward and tribal areas in the State of Madhya Pradesh for providing them better postal services;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are aware of the fact that in certain remote tribal areas of the said State, the ordinary dak takes several days to be delivered and if so, whether Government contemplate to make the postal services in those areas quicker and more efficient; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Tribal areas for the purpose of Postal Development refers to the areas, identified as "Tribal" for purposes of implementation of tribal sub-plans/Integrated Tribal Development Projects (ITDP) by the State Government. Similarly, backward areas of the main areas declared as backward by the State Government for purposes of accelerated development.

(c) and (d) No such case has come to the notice of local postal authorities. Constant efforts are being made to streamline the postal net work and efforts are being made to reduce the time taken during transit of mails in order to eliminate delay.

Encephalitis in Delhi

934. SHRI M. KADHARSHA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of deaths that occurred due to encephalitis in Delhi; and

(b) what remidial steps have been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELAFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) and (b)

Encephalitis is a generic term and can be caused by numerous viral and non-viral agents. In common parlance, however, Japanese Encephalitis has been associated with encephalitis outbreaks. There has been no such death due to Japanese Encephalitis in Delhi in recent years. However, deaths due to all types of encephalitis in Delhi during 1986 were reported to be 180.

The remidial measures include proper case management through immediate hospitalisation and appropriate treatment. For control/spread of Japanese Encephalitis, insecticidal spray with DDT/BHC and fogging operations are being undertaken.

Punctuality of Air India and Indian Airlines fights

935. SHRI M. KADHARSHA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of times the Air India and Indian Airlines flights reached late at their destinations together with reasons during the last one year; and

(b) what steps Government have taken or propose to take to bring punctuality in two airlines?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) During 1986, out of 14,142 flights, 1,545 flights of Air India and out of 1,12,817 flights, 26,229 flights of Indian Airlines were delayed. Majority of the flights were delayed due to reasons such as adverse weather conditions, non-availability of airport facilities, consequential delays, etc. In the case of Air India, factors like customs, airport clearance and immigration, etc. also resulted in delay.

(b) All cases of delays are individually investigated by the Airlines, causes for delays established and responsibility fixed, in the case of any negligence. Snags of repetitive nature and problem areas are diagnosed for corrective action with a view to avoiding recurrence.

Registration of non-oyt general category under Rajpath Exchange

936. SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons registered under Non-OYT General Category under Rajpath Exchange 33 level as on May, 1986;

(b) the number of connections released from that exchange from May, 1986 to February, 1987, under above mentioned category; and

(c) the number of connections likely to be released during the current year from Rajpath exchange under Non-OYT-General Category?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) 754 persons are registered under Non-OYT-General Category under Rajpath Exchange as on 1-5-1986.

(b) 21 telephone connections were released from 2-5-1986 to 23-2-1987 in Rajpath telephone exchange under Non-OYT-General Category.

(c) No bulk release of new telephone cennections in Rajpath telephone exchange is expected during the current year.

Pack insertion with medicines

937. SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that most of the drug companies do not provide pack insert along with the medicines;

(b) whether it is also a fact that certain medicines have serious side effects and prove dangerous in case the precautions required are not taken;